

TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

PRELIMINARY HOLIDAY REPORT

December 26, 2007

2007 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

6 PM, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21 – 11:59 PM, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25

102-HOUR HOLIDAY PERIOD

- **FATAL CRASHES: 7**

2 crashes were single vehicle crashes; 5 were multiple vehicle crashes.

- **FATALITIES: 7**

1 of the fatalities occurred in an alcohol-related crash.

6 of the people killed were vehicle occupants.

3 of the 6 were not wearing safety restraints.

1 child passenger requiring child restraint device was killed.

1 motorcyclist was killed.

FATALITY LOG

	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>HIGHWAY</u>	<u>NUMBER KILLED</u>	<u>ALCOHOL RELATED</u>
1.	Friday	9:06 PM	UNICOI	I-26	1	NO
2.	Saturday	3:05 PM	ANDERSON	CO	1	NO
3.	Saturday	6:29 PM	CHEATHAM	I-40	1	NO
4.	Saturday	3:10 PM	GILES	SR	1	NO
5.	Saturday	5:56 PM	WHITE	CO	1	NO
6.	Sunday	5:00 AM	GREENE	SR	1	YES
7.	Monday	4:03 AM	HAYWOOD	SR	1	NO

- **The number of fatalities for last year's 78-hour holiday period was 9.**

HIGHEST DEATHS

In 1969, 22 people were killed in Tennessee traffic crashes during the 30-hour Christmas holiday period; yielding a fatality rate of one death per 1.4 hours.

LOWEST DEATHS

In 1963, one person was killed in Tennessee traffic crashes during the 30-hour Christmas holiday period; yielding a fatality rate of one death per 30 hours.